Coastal Highway Port Connectivity Project

781. MS. PRAMILA BOHIDAR:

SHRI B.J. PANDA:

Will the Minister of SHIPPING ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is fact that a Coastal Highway Port Connectivity Project is proposed to be planned in Kerala with Central assistance;

(b) if so, the details of the project;

(c) whether such a project is also in the offing in Orissa; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the time-frame within which it would be taken up for execution?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SHIPPING, ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS (SHRI K.H. MUNIYAPPA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. However, road connectivity to major ports in the country including connectivity to Cochin Port in Kerala has been taken up under the Port Connectivity Programme. Under this programme, four laning of national Highway 47 in a length of 10 km (from Vytilla to Aroor) in Kerala has been taken up and is scheduled for completion by August, 2006.

(c) Road connectivity to Paradip port in Orissa has also been taken up under the above programme.

(d) Four laning of National Highway 5A in a length of 77 km (from Chandikhole to Paradip) in Orissa has been taken up and is scheduled for completion by February, 2007.

Parameter of daily income

†782. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the parameter of daily income of a person living below poverty line is 0.21 Dollar in India whereas it is 24.6 Dollar in America;

† Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.